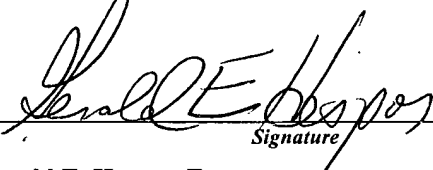
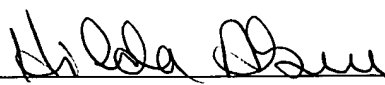


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Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action of
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